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Louis R. Welch, for Headmaster at Charlesto School, has assumed the of Assistant Superintende Boston Public Schools.

Welch, who had been h ter here since 1947, has the Boston school syste 1925. Prior to his appoin C.H.S., he served in the dept. at English High Sc five years, was principal o lestown Evening High Scho and principal of the Centr mer School in 1943-44.

A graduate of Boston C where he was an outstandi lete, Welch also received a degree from B.C. Graduate and an M.A. from Boston ers College.

He has seven childre lives at 179 Temple St., Roxbury.

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SHOC Seeks To Initiate Community Organization To Study Renewal Problems

A move to set up a "Community Council" with representatives from all local organizations was made last night at a meeting of the SHOC Planning Council in the Administration Building.

The council would deal with aspects of urban renewal.

SHOC President Leo Baldwin said that the move would "disspel any suspicion that SHOC is trying to take-over and run the town."

Baldwin's three-part proposal provided:

1. That SHOC help set up a community effort to deal with aspects relating to Urban Renewal, that would be open to every organized Charlestown element.

2. That each organization be afforded one vote on each urban renewal issue brought before it, and that the vote be cast by the person or alternate designated by the organization represented.

3. That this body be separate from SHOC, except that SHOC participate equally with the other organizations.

Many local organizations were represented at the meeting. However, it was pointed out by James Sweeney, representing the Kiwanis Club, that probably none of the representatives had authority to vote on any proposals without first bringing them up before their organization.

It was voted that copies of the proposal be sent to all local organizations.

Thomas McLaughlin objected to the provision that would give each organization one vote, regardless of size. This would place an organization with only five members on an equal footing with one containing 1,000 members, he claimed.

Patrick McCarthy, Charlestown urban renewal project director for the B.R.A., said that his organization was preparing three "sketch plans" for Charlestown from information that has been collected in the last five months of study here.

The next Planning Council meeting is scheduled for Jan. 31.

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James Sweeney Heads New Merchants Assn.

At a meeting held last week at the Boys Club, a representative group of local merchants met to form a new civic betterment group to be called the Charlestown Merchants Association

The purpose of the organization will be to initiate and promote action for the commercial and civic betterment of Charlestown, to the end that Charlestown will be a better place in which to do business, to live and to work.

The thirty-five charter members present at the meeting elected the following officers and directors:

President - James H. Sweeney, The McVarish Co., Vice-President, Sherman Levanson, Gimbels Liquor Co., Treasurer - Swede Goldstein, Hub Meatland. Directors - Leonard Abramson, Attorndy; Sam Hoffman, Hoffman's Pharmacy; Joseph Manley, J.J. McCarthy's Restaurant; Lillian Bevans McLean, Charlestown Beauty Salon; Charles Morgan, Spector & Morgan, Cleansers.

The group emphasized that the business element of the Town has a vital interest in the future of Charlestown, and it believes that a united effort is essential at this time, in view of the many issues facing the business community, due to the impending urban renewal program

Membership is open to any qualified merchant, business representative or commercial property owner. Persons wishing to become members of the organization may contact any of the above members or call Charlestown 2-4988.

COMMITTEES WORK ON FEDERATION PROGRAMS

The month old temporary Federation of Charlestown Organizations is moving swiftly to complete its program development and create the permanent structure that will deal with urban renewal in Charlestown.

Ralph Smith, 59 Monument Ave. Chairman of the Constitution Committee, stated that "we are trying to develop an organization that will represent the 19,000 people of Charlestown. In developing a truly representative organization we are studying the structure of the U. S. Congress. Under this form we could have a Council of Representatives which would be made up of delegates from each organization according to their size. The Council would make all policy and elect officers. In addition we could have a Board of Directors made up of one representative from each organization whose function would be to execute the community program."

Smith added, "we have not settled on any form, but are searching for a democratic means through which the people of Charlestown can have a direct influence over their future."

"The program committee has to put meat on the bones of our new Federation," commented Mary McNeely, 40 Haverhill, Chairman of the Program Committee, "and it is our intention to investigate all the problem areas in our community life."

Miss McNeely added, "The Immediate job of the committee is to spell out the general areas of concern to Charlestown residents. We will then prepare resolutions for presentation to the Federation. The adopted resolutions will then become the policy of the Federation and will guide the Board of Directors in its day-to-day executive of community policy."

In a recent letter to members of the Program Committee, Miss McNeely suggested six areas for immediate investigation:

1. RELOCATION: to help develop a responsible relocation program that recognizes the needs of Charlestown people.

2. REHABILITATION: to develop a program that will stimulate home remodeling and offer practical aides on

a) financing
b) ideas on layout and costs
c) staging home improvement
d) development of do-it-yourself program

3. RECREATION: investigate

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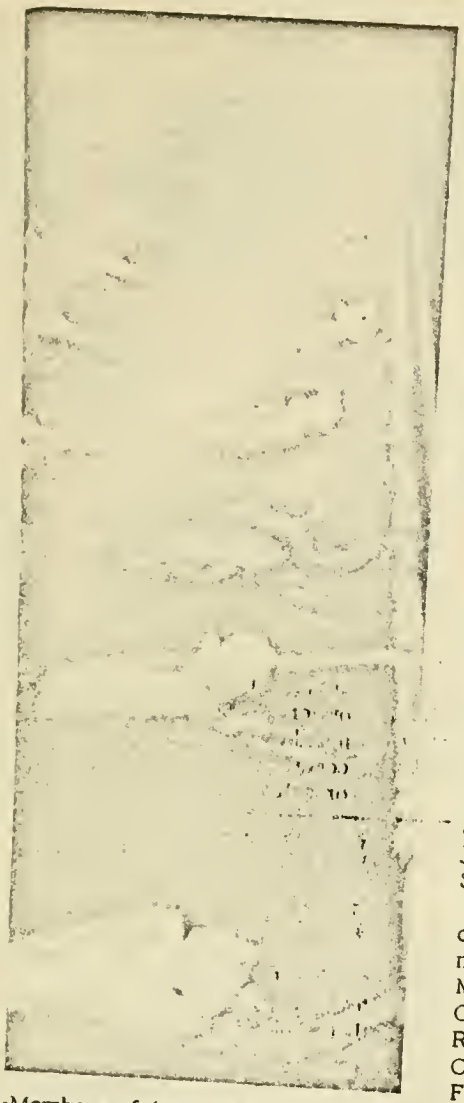

Members of the Midget Swim Team Boys Club practice their freestyle (Photo by Fortin)

Federation

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present recreation programs and examine needs for improvement and expansion.

4. HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE: develop a housing program to meet the needs of the community and determine ways of obtaining low-down payment financing to encourage home owner-

5. HOUSING AND ZONING CODE ENFORCEMENT: develop a program to resist violations of the code and seek ways of combating the abuses of absentee landlords.

6. HEALTH AND GENERAL WELFARE: develop a program to improve health services, law enforcement, delinquency, etc.

Members of the Program Committee include John Grace, Vice-Chairman, St. Catherine's Council of Catholic Men; Agnes Kelley, Secretary, Bunker Hill Boy's Mother's Club; Louis H. Zeramby, Boy's Clubs of Boston; Charles Morgan, Kiwanis; Judith Birmingham, Visiting Nurses Association; Kay Whalen, Boosters; Ted Nichols, Woods Club; Mary Sweeney, Girl's Clubs of Boston; Catherine Sullivan, St. Patrick's Guild; Mrs. Brian Kelley, Women's Friendly Society of St. John's; Mrs. Mildred Hill, First Church of Charlestown; Julia McHugh, Warren Home and School Association; Joseph Barnes, Charlestown Little League; Jeremiah Murphy, St. Vincent de Paul of St. Mary; James Collins, St. Mary Holy Name Society.

Members of the Constitution include: Daniel Kane, Vice Chairman; St. Vincent de Paul of St. Mary; Mary Colbert, Secretary, Charlestown Community Council; Rev. Gerard Shea, St. Catherine's Church; Rev. William Burnett, First Church of Charlestown; Michael Walsh, Bunker Hill Council #62, Knights of Columbus; Patrick F. Sullivan, Bunker Hill Post, American Legion; Anne Hartigan, Charlestown Neighborhood Club; Ted Chin, St. John's Episcopal Church; Joseph Rinaldi, Alert Athletic Club; Roland F. Adams, Y.M.C.A.; James Sweeney, Thompson Square Association; Joseph Murphy, Lion's Club; Margaret Murphy, Friends of Library; Helen Gillette, Religious Education Comm. of St. John; Agnes Hickey, Daughters of Isabella; Edna Greeley, American Legion Auxiliary; Leo Ducey, St. Vincent de Paul of St. Francis.

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EL STRUCTURE

Tear Down 'Iron Monster' Citizens Urge Committee At State House Hearing

Charlestown's two legislators, backed by nearly 150 residents, most of them members of SHOC, urged the removal of the MTA elevated tracks here as the first step in the urban renewal program at a State House hearing Monday morning.

Rep. Gerard Doherty, who is co-sponsoring the bill with State Senator Mario Umana, called the El. structure an "iron monster" and predicted a "tremendous re-growth" in the area once it is removed.

The bill provides for removal of the MTA structure from North Station to Sullivan Sq. and provides for alternate service in the area by extending rapid transit over the B & M tracks to Reading.

Sen. Umana cited the "tremendous increase" in property values along Third Ave. in New York after a similar elevated structure had been removed there.

Umana termed the plan "logical, since one of these days the B & M will discontinue passenger service."

Msgr. Anthony J. Flaherty, pastor of St. Mary's Church, said that the El structure has "become a blight on the whole town." "People are leaving the town at the rate of 1,000 a year," he claimed.

Rev. Brian Kelley, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, said that the three Protestant churches were behind the removal bill.

No urban renewal plan for Charlestown can be successful "without the demolition of that structure," Edward J. Logue told the legislate committee. Logue is Development Administrator for the Boston Redevelopment Authority.

"The area between Main St. and Rutherford Ave. has been very badly blighted," he pointed out because of the refusal of people to live near elevated tracks. He added that the blight is growing and spreading out up some of the side streets.

Some, but not all of the money needed for demolition can be obtained from federal urban renewal funds, Logue said.

Leo Baldwin, president of SHOC, called the overhead tracks a "noisy, screechy structure." He asked all members of SHOC at the meeting to raise their hand and

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most of those present responded.

Baldwin, in turn, was complimented by Sen. John J. Beades (D-Dorchester), chairman of the joint committee on Metropolitan Affairs, who praised the work of the Self-Help Organization and its efforts in publicizing Charlestown.

Joseph Donovan of 250 Bunker Hill St. told the committee that he could remember when there were "trees and beautiful houses on Main St." He questioned the safety of the El structure, pointing out that it had been only guaranteed for 30 years when it was built.

Also speaking in favor of removal of the structure were representatives of the Mayor and the M.T.A.

Former Councilman Frederic C. Langone, pointed out that he had advocated removal for many years. He also suggested that a new M.T.A. terminal be built on the 25-30 acre former state prison site in Charlestown to help eliminate bottlenecks at City Sq., Lechmere Sq. and Sullivan Sq. He said that such a site could serve as a terminus for the North Station area, only a quarter of a mile away.

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The Bunker Hillbillies Roster includes:

Bert "Buffalo" Baker, Fred "Cheyenne" Barbetta, Rickie "Six Shooter" Barbetta, Eddy "Shootin' Iron" Blake, Jim "Rocky" Carvell, Eddy "Banjo Picker" Castronova, Mike "Vigilante" Chiampa, Jim "Sugarfoot" Collins, Brian "Maverick" Collins, Pat "Squeezebox" Fullerton, Tom "Spark Plug" Getherall, George "Pewee" Godding - the Top Hand, Glenn "Billy-the-Kid" Jordan, "John "Rustler" Martine, Billy "Stagecoach" McDonald, Neil "Cannonball" McLaughlin, Peter "Sherrif" Munstedt, Marty "Buckshot" O'Brien, Dennis "Sundown" Sheehan, Dan "Slim" Sullivan, Pat "Red Eye" Walsh.

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INK FOR TOWN

Residents Urged To Attend Hearing At State House Next Thursday Morning

A bill that would provide an ice skating rink for Charlestown will be given a public hearing next Thursday morning, Jan. 25 at 10 o'clock In Room 207 of the State House.

All residents of Charlestown are being urged by SHOC to attend and support the measure, which is co-sponsored by the Self-Help Organization and which was filed by Rep. Gerard Doherty and Senator Mario Umana.

The bill, H-1124, is essentially the same as one which failed to pass last year and which would have empowered the M.D.C. to build such a rink here.

If the skating rink is approved, it is hoped that a suitable site can be worked out for it on the urban redevelopment plans for Charlestown.

The bill will be heard by the Committee on Metropolitan Affairs, the same joint legislative committee that heard the petition for removal of the MTA elevated structure here Jan. 8.

For the convenience of residents buses will leave for the hearing at 9 o'clock Thursday morning from four locations - St. Catherine's Church. St. Francis de Sales Church, St. Mary's Rectory and Thompson Square.

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MONUMENT RALLY URGES SUPPORT FOR SKATING RINK BILL

Charlestown's youth, filled with the Spirit of '76, rallied at historic Bunker Hill monument Tuesday afternoon to urge townspeople to attend the State House hearing this morning on a bill that would provide an ice skating rink for the town.

Youth leaders throughout the town took part in a 48-hour drive to get their parents, grandparents and relatives to attend the Thursday morning hearing.

Heading the drive was Eugene J. Hennessy of 18 Seminary St., General Chairman of the Charlestown Committee for an Ice Skating Rink, who said that "Town-wide support for the proposed ice skating rink is growing daily as organization after organization is pledging active support in a unified effort to improve the recreational facilities for the youth of Charlestown."

Keynote speaker at the rally was Donald Welkel of Clarence R. Edwards Jr. High School. Other speakers included Hennessey, Senator Mario Umana, Rev. Joseph Murphy of St. Mary's Parish and

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Mothers March

Skating Rink

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James W. Conway, who introduce the speakers.

St. Catherine's Color Guard led the demonstration, under the direction of Capt. Maureen Whelan.

The Steering Committee of the Charlestown Committee for an Ice Skating Rink includes Eugene J. Hennessey - General Chairman, 18 Seminary St. - Mrs. Mary Colbert - Telephone Chairman, 59 High St. - Daniel Carr Arrangements Chairman, 27 Cordis St., - James W. Conway - Publicity Chairman, 7 Mt. Vernon St., - Thomas Getherall - Leaflet Distribution Chairman, 8 S. Quincy Pl., - Representative Gerard Doherty - 39 Washington St.

Louis H. Zeramby - Asst. Director Boy's Clubs of Boston, 15 Green St., - Edward "Chris" Callahan - Grand Knight, Bunker Hill Council #62, Knights of Columbus, 46 High St., - Patrick F. Sullivan - Bunker Hill Post, American Legion, 10 Lawnwood; - Ralph J. Smith, President - Charlestown Community Council, 59 Monument Ave., - Leo T. Baldwin - President, Self Help Organization - Charlestown, 60 Soley St., - Joseph Whalen - Mgr., Hawks Baseball Team, 27 Mt. Vernon St., - Mrs. Kathleen Whelan - Treasurer, Charlestown High Boosters, 20 Cordis St.

John Grace - St. Catherines' Council of Catholic Men, 30 Polk St., - Samuel Hoffman - V.P., Kiwanis Club of Charlestown, 1 City Square - Joseph P. Murphy-Pres. Lion's Club of Charlestown, 322 Bunker Hill - Rev. William Burnett - First Church, 27 Monument Square - Rev. Joseph Murphy - St. Mary's Church, 1 Monument Sq., - Rev. Robert D. Smith-St. Catherines' Church, 49 Vine St., - Joseph Barnes - Pres. Charlestown Little League, 12 Mt. Vernon St., - Kenneth J. Yandle-Pres. Wood's Club Inc., 32 Maine Avenue.

TEXT OF SPEECH BY DONALD WEIKEL

I am Donald Weikel and I represent the 600 students at the Clarence R. Edwards Junior High School in Charlestown.

Charlestown people are always complaining about teenagers who take to doorways, hallways, and stores for shelter from the cold and snowy weather. Where else can they go? The S.H.O.C. Teen Center helps, but it is overcrowded and open only a few nights a week. The teenagers need a place

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Renewal Sketch Plans Viewed By Delegates Of 36 Organizations

Thirty-six member organizations of the Federation of Charlestown Organizations have previewed the urban renewal sketch plans within the last ten days. Federation leaders hoped that the remaining thirty-eight organizations will view the sketch plans within the next ten days.

"We are systematically giving every organization's delegate or alternate a chance to have an unhurried, detailed view of the sketch plans so they can report to their respective organizations. After that we want our member organizations to have the same opportunity to discuss the sketch plans. Then Charlestown will be able to vote on the urban renewal sketch plans and the Federation will proceed on the basis of that vote", stated Robert F. Lee, Chairman, Temporary Federation of Charlestown Organizations.

Speaking of the broad representation in the Federation, Lee added, "When you addd up the members of our affiliated organizations you'll be surprised to find a membership of over 17,000 people. With that kind of participation I'm more certain than ever that we will come out with a plan that will be in the best interests of Charlestown."

Lee pointed out that "We are at a turning point in the history of Charlestown and I hope we don't lose the opportunity. It is up to all of us to band together, work together, and discuss together. If we really believe in democracy here is our chance to make a mark for the town we all love and cherish."

The Temporary Federation of Charlestown Organizations came into being January 31 whe-

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Louis Welch Honored By C.H.S. Faculty

Louis R. Welch, former headmaster at Charlestown High School, who was recently appointed assistant superintendent of Bos-

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Federation Studies Renewal

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local organizations voted to create a permanent organization to deal with urban renewal in Charlestown.

The group elected Robert L. Lee, Temporary Chairman, James W. Conway, Temporary Secretary, and John J. Crowley, Temporary Treasurer. In addition an executive committee was elected that included Sheriff Frederick Sullivan, Edward "Chris" Callahan, Leo T. Baldwin, Michael Mullan, Eugene J. Hennessy, and Mary McNeely.

The members of the temporary Federation who viewed the sketch plans for Charlestown include Joseph Barnes, Charlestown Little League - Daniel Carr, Charlestown Cardinals - Edna Greeley, Bunker Hill Post American Legion - Ralph Smith, Charlestown Historical Society - Agnes Kelley, Bunker Hill Boys Mother's Club - Margaret L. Murphy, Friends of Library - Mrs. Elizabeth Brannan, Ladies Guild First Congregational Church - Roland Adams, Young Men's Christian Association - Mrs. Edward S. Gadowski, Daughters of Isabella - Mrs. Helen LaRocque, First Baptist Sunday School - Claire O'Brien and Elizabeth Ahern, St. Francis De Sales Sodality - Mrs. Genevieve MacDonald, Norumbega Women's Club - Patrick F. Sullivan, Bunker Hill Post 26, American Legion - Charles Moran, Kiwanis - Dorothy Collins, St. Francis De Sales Legion of Mary - Joseph P. Murphy, The Lions - Joseph P. Donovan, St. Francis De Sales, St. Vincent De Paul - Mrs. Wylie Van Wart, First Baptist Church - Jean Phelan, Couples Club, First Baptist Church - Edward Austin, First Baptist Church - Edward Austin, First Baptist Church Young People's Fellowship - Margaret Austin, Charlestown High, Home and School Association - Mae Buckley, St. Catherine's Tabernacle Society - Mrs. Ann Hartigan, Charlestown Neighborhood Club - Mary Colbert, Community Council - Mrs. Margaret Whiting, St. Jude's Court Catholic Daughters of America - John Grace, St. Catherine's Council of Catholic Men - Bill Rae, St. Francis De Sales Holy Name.

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ington Ave. "Y",-----Atty. Ralph Smith signed up at least two new members from the post membership for the Charlestown Historical Society.---Atty. Jimmy Kiley may not attend too many of our meetings but has been one of our best members since he joined the post, ---Joe Crowley can be found every Thurs. night and Sat. afternoon at the Charlestown Armory with St. Catherine's Color Guard and Drill Team. Joe is the ass't mgr. and Treasurer and the Girls drill on both Thursday night and Saturday afternoon.---Past Commander Vincent Strout still undecided whether he will be a candidate for Mass. Dept. Adjutant of the American Legion.

At the last meeting another new member joined, Edward Crickard, World War 1 Y.D. Vet. Ed, is a police Detective at the Milk St. Station. He was sponsored by another Yankee Division Veteran, our Past Commander, Jim Barry.

Seeks Baseball Talent

Former Townie Jerry McCarthy is seeking baseball players for his Sammy White Club, which will compete this summer in the semi-pro Senior Park League.

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LEGION NOTES

Last Legion meeting lasted until 11:45 P.M. The meeting started promptly at 8:30 P.M. It really had everything, lots of laughs and then serious discussions on Charlestown's Urban Renewal Program.

Some of the members are of the opinion that if the Elevated was removed then there would be no need for any Urban Renewal for Charlestown, that the Town would increase in value and that the people who own homes would remodel them themselves. Others believed that the Legion should submit its own plans, while others were of the opinion that those in charge of Urban Renewal should submit but two plans. As it is now, where there are three plans, though one may be selected the two that are turned down together may have more support than the one that is selected, it was argued. Next meeting of the Legion is on Tuesday, March 20 and it is hoped that Plans for Urban Renewal of Charlestown will be available so that the members can see them.

Past Commander Jim Barry secured another member, this time a World War II Veteran, Bill O'Connell. Bill was admitted to membership at the last meeting.

Danny Carr finally got to his first meeting. Danny is a real busy fellow, towing away our automobiles, but any time there is a discussion on Charlestown Danny will find time to go to it and we expect to see Danny at more of our meetings. The Bunker Hill Post is taking an active part in the new Federation of Charlestown Organizations and is ably represented by Patrick F. Sullivan of 10 Lawnwood Place, Pat is a graduate of Staley College, and most of our New England Orators are graduates of Staley's.

Col. Bill Sullivan (U.S. Army Ret) again had movies for the members at the meeting. A recess was called so that the Col. could show the movies. They were real good and we all hope that the Col. has more pictures for us at the meeting on March 20th,---Myron Parker of Concord St., attended his first meeting,---Gil Eatherton also attended his first meeting but Gil says we will wee him a lot more. Gil is also a member of the D.A.V.----Owen McCologan also attended last meeting and will start attending them faithfully another fellow we havn't seen for a while but hope to see attend more meetings was Bill Follen,---Atty. Ralph Smith, Jim Conway, and Pat Sullivan arrived at the meeting late but they had been attending a meeting of the Constitution Committee of the Federation of K of C. Atty. Ralph Smith is the Chairman of the Constitution Committee.

Bunker Hill Post will participate in the 17th of March Parade in South Boston. Commander Bill Thomas had appointed Dennis O'Leary to made arrangements for Bunker Hill Post to participate and Dennis expects to have one of the largest groups in the parade.

Past Commander Nettie Kibur is coming along fine and all her letters are read at Post meetings by Past Commander Jim Barry.

According to Boston papers our Mail Service is supposed to get better. Well thats fine. We at Bunker Hill Post hope they put back some of the Mail Boxes they eliminated in Charlestown, as it is a hardship for people to walk longer distances to mail their letters.

Southies March 17th Parade has been in the Boston papers for weeks. Isn't it about time to now make plans for the celebration fo Bunker Hill Day, June 17th. In only a few weeks, Bunker Hill Post will be having tickers printed for its Annual "Nite Before" Banquet. If we all start early, we can make this 17th of June Celebration the best in years.

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Ralph Smith To Head Historical Society

Ralph J. Smith of 59 Monument Ave., has been elected president of the first historical society in the history of Charlestown.

"The scene of the American Revolution is a national treasure to which the people of Charlestown have fallen heir," commented Smith. He added, "The annals of American history are filled with contributions made by the people of Charlestown and it is our desire to make this history come alive once more."

In spelling out some of the Society's aims, Smith stated, "Spurred on by the current prospects of community renewal we hope to preserve and enhance our heritage. We are interested in preserving buildings of historic value, establishing a Liberty Trail in Charlestown, erecting of plaques and monuments of historical sites, opening a museum and exhibiting historical relics".

Other officers elected to the Charlestown Historical Society include: Vice Presidents: Rev. William A. Burnett, Edward "Chris" Callahan; Recording Secretary, Thomas P. McLaughlin; Corresponding Secretary, James T. Nordyke; Treasurer Wylie Van Wart; Curator: H. Vincent Strout; Historian: Rev. Wolcott Cutler; Directors, William F. Sullivan, Mary K. Harris, Louis H. Zeramby.

Among the original sponsors of the Charlestown Historical Society are: Sylvester B. Colbert, 59 High Street; Rev. John J. Pashby, 49 Vine Street; Edward P. Callahan, 46 High Street; Jeanne McGuinness, 12 Cedar Street; Edward A. McGuinness, 12 Cedar Street; Rev. Wolcott Cutler, 9 Story St., Cambridge; George S. Finn, 18 Monument Square; H. Vincent Strout, 52 Orne Street, Marblehead; Wm. F. Sullivan, 379 Broadway, Somerville; Mrs. Mary K. Harris, 43 Monument Square; Louis Zeramby, Boys Club of Boston, 15 Green Street; Lawrence F. Santapaul, Boys Club of Boston, 15 Green Street; Thomas Craven, 19 Washington Street; Rev. William A. Burnett, 27 Monument Square; Thomas P. McLaughlin, 72 Seminary Street; John Upton, 45 22 Cross Street, Wylie Van Wart, 22 Cross Street; Charles E. McGovern, 45 Soley Street; Edward "Chris" Callahan, 46 High Street; Joseph H. Toland, 900 Fourth Street, South Boston; James W. Conway, 7 Mt. Vernon Street; John T. Conway, 10 Monument Square; Richard F. Lyman, 46 High Street; James T. Nordyke, 384 Main Street.

Membership in the society is open to individual adults for $2 a year and to students for $1 a year. A special Life Membership is available for $10. The membership chairman is Rev. William A. Burnett, 27 Monument Square, CH 2-0673.

61 Organizations View Sketch Plans

"Over 60 town organizations have been seen the sketch plans of Charlestown's renewal," announced Robert L. Lee, Charlestown Federation Chairman.

Lee added, "The next step is to make a schedule with the Boston Redevelopment Authority to show the sketch plans to member organizations on a small group basis so that the people can review these sketches and make suggestions for improvement.

We are all aware of the need for community renewal and through the democratic process our Federation must develop a responsible program for the future growth of Charlestown. We must be more than watch-dogs, we must all be leaders in a movement to make our town the finest place in which to live, play and raise families," stated Lee.

"How are we going to operate as a democratic organization of the people of Charlestown is the key question being debated by the committee", stated Ralph Smith, 59 Monument Ave., Constitution Committee Chairman. Smith pointed out "We have agreed that the Federation should have a strong Board of Directors that can execute community policy. It is

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agreed that this Board should be composed of the elected officers and one representative from each bona fide organization.

The question of policy and elections should more properly lie with a council of people's representatives which is determined in accordance with the size of the organization. The committee has already requested information on goals and membership from each affiliated group so they can further debate proportional representation."

"As it looks now," continued Smith, "we will probably end up with a Board of Directors on the order of the U.S. Senate, and a powerful Council of Representatives in the image of the U.S. House of Representatives. If we can accomplish this structure I feel certain that the Federation will become the responsible spokesman for the people of Charlestown."

After the committee prepared first draft of a proposed constitution it will send it to member groups for review. Based on the opinions of member groups a second draft will be proposed at the next Federation meeting. Members of the committee include: Daniel J. Kane, Vice Chairman, St. Vincent de Paul of St. Mary; Mrs. Mary Colbert secretary, Charlestown Community Council; Rev. Gerard F. Shea, St. Catherine's Church; Rev. William Burnett, First Church of Charlestown; Michael Walsh, Bunker Hill Council #62, Knights of Columbus; Patrick F. Sullivan, American Legion Building Association, Inc., Bunker Hill Post #62; Mrs. Anne Costigan, Charlestown Neighborhood Club; Ted Chin, St. John's Episcopal Church; Joseph Rinaldi, Boston Athletic Club; Roland F. Adams, Young Men's Christian Association; James Sweeney, Charlestown Merchants Association; Joseph P. Murphy, Lion's Club; Margaret Murphy, Friends of the Library; Helen H. Gillette, Sunday School of St. John's Church; Miss Hickey, Daughters of Isabella; Edna Greeley, American Legion Auxiliary; Leo Ducey, St. Francis De Sales Church.

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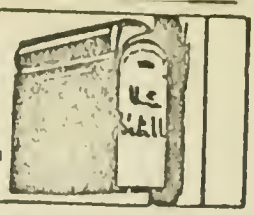

To the Editor:

The Urban renewal program will effect many Charlestown Veterans, especially those who bought homes with G.I. Loans.

The Bunker Hill Post #26 of the American Legion is a member of the newly formed Federation of Charlestown Organizations and it would like to feel that its vote presented the views of the majority of the veterans. Your membership in Post #26 of the American Legion and an expression of your interest in this program would be of great assistance.

Bunker Hill Post #26 of the American Legion meets Tuesday, May 20th, 8:30 P.M. at the Post Quarters, 27 Chestnut Street, Charlestown. Your membership is earnestly sought and your cooperation respectfully solicited.

Join and help improve our Community.

Respectively
Respectfully
Thomas L. Gallagher
Sr. Vice Commander
and membership Chairman.

5th Grade Pucksters To Play Melrose

Charlestown's fifth grade hockey team, by far the strongest in her history, will play Melrose's fifth graders Wednesday evening, March 21 at the Revere MDC Rink at 5:30 p.m.

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